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- U.S. Patent No.: Des. 433,005;
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- U.S. Patent No.: Des. 413,893;
- U.S. Patent No.: Des. 409,374;
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- U.S. Patent No.: Des. 386,104;
- U.S. Patent No.: Des. 374,673;
- U.S. Patent No.: Des. 370,011;
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